

shall receive a sufficient number of such record entries, made on sheets, as will form a record book the proper size, he shall cause the same to be well and substantially bound in leather, and place the same among the records of his office; and a copy taken from any such record entries or book, properly attested by the clerk of the court of appeals, shall be admitted in evidence in the manner herein before mentioned.

CHAPTER 229.

AN additional SUPPLEMENT to the ACT concerning Crimes and Punishments.

SEC. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6. Provide funds for the completion of certain improvements about the penitentiary buildings.

SEC. 3, 7, 10, 11. Repealed by 1837, ch. 310.

Sections of
former act
repealed.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the second, third, fourth, and fifth sections of the act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, chapter ninety-three, be, and the same are hereby repealed; and hereafter all free negroes or mulattoes, shall be sentenced to confinement in the penitentiary, for the same term, and under the same circumstances, as other criminals are sentenced for the like offences.

Directors to
pay free ne-
groes dis-
charged a
sum of
money.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That after the termination of confinement in the penitentiary, either by the expiration of the term, or by pardon by the executive, of any free negro or mulatto, the directors are authorized and directed to pay him or her, out of the proceeds of their labour, a sum of money not exceeding thirty dollars, at their discretion, and discharge the same, and the said convict shall be banished the state of Maryland; and if any such discharged convict shall be found within the limits of said state, after the expiration of sixty days subsequent to the day of their discharge, he or she may be apprehended and sold, by any person finding him or her, as a slave, for the term of his or her original conviction, upon proof being shown to any judge of a court of record, or any two justices of the peace of the county where said discharged convict shall be apprehended, that he or she has been confined in and discharged from said penitentiary.

CHAPTER 234.

AN ACT to change the time of Electing Representatives of this State, in the Congress of the United States.

Elections,
when to
be held.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the next election of representatives of this state, in the congress of the United States, shall be on the first Monday of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, and on the same day in every second year thereafter, unless there should be a special meeting of congress